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## Good Afternoon:

The object of this message is to protest the legal perambulations against Microsoft via court challenges. As settlement finally appeared imminent in the Government case, now new allegations have been put forth against the company (Microsoft) by a competitor, AOL (America Online). This is corporate harassment! Indeed, by permitting the 'sniping away at success,' our

legal system condones the restriction of corporate creativity and innovation. Elements that made this country truly great.

Freedom is the keystone of our American way, and just as it is for our citizens, so too should it be for business.

Sincerely,

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